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SUBJ: RUMORS OF NEW NOMINATIONS TO POLITBURO STANDING COMMITTEE

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1. WE HAVE HEARD INDIRECTLY FROM A CHINESE SOURCE ON JULY 21 THAT AN EXPANDED POLITBURO MEETING TOOK PLACE JULY 15-18. AT THIS MEETING TENG HSIAO-PING WAS RESTORED TO HIS PREVIOUS POSITIONS AND NEW STANDING COMMITTEE NOW CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING LEADERS IN RANK ORDER: HUA KUO-FENG, YEH CHIEN-YING, TENG HSIAO-PING, LI HSIEN-NIEN, WANG TUNG-HSING AND NIEH JUNG-CHEN.

2. AT THE SAME MEETING IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE FATE OF THE GANG OF FOUR WOULD BE ANNOUNCED BY PLENARY MEETING OF THE 10TH CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

3. ACCORDING TO THE SAME SOURCE THE ABOVE DECISIONS HAVE BEEN CELEBRATED WITH FIREWORKS IN THE PEKING SUBURBS.
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4. COMMENT: THIS REPORT DOES NOT SQUARE EXACTLY WITH WHAT WE HAVE SEEN ON QUITE OFFICIAL LOOKING POSTERS (REFTEL). HOWEVER, THE REPORTED RANK ORDERING OF TOP CCP OFFICIALS IS AT LEAST AN INTERESTING INDICATOR OF WHAT INFORMED CHINESE ARE THINKING.
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